

the unprecedented achievement of nominating women to the two highest statewide constitutional offices.

Grace Garcia was a visionary leader and had tremendous passion for advancing equality and opportunity for women in the field of public service.

Women like Grace Garcia are diamonds. They are sharp, shine brightly, are unbreakable, and perfectly suited for their mission.

Grace Garcia loved to defy the odds; where others were deterred by obstacles, she saw and seized opportunity.

As a founder of the National Latina Political Action Committee and leading member of the National Latino Finance Council for Hillary Clinton's presidential bid, Grace Garcia proved to be an influential leader for the Latino community.

Grace Garcia's modesty belied her remarkable ability to influence events and improve people's lives.

Her departure came all too soon, but the trail she blazed leaves us a path to follow.

Grace Garcia opened doors of opportunity for women, and to honor her memory, we must continue that effort.

Mr. Speaker, today we remember the gift with which we were abundantly blessed with, and that is the life of Grace Garcia.

I hope it is a comfort to her family that so many of us mourn with them at this sad time.

But through our sadness, we draw strength from the legacy she left behind.

Grace Garcia will never be forgotten. She lives on in lives and deeds of progressive women political leaders in this generation and those to come.

So long my friend. We will miss you dearly, and forever hold you in our hearts.

I ask the House to observe a moment of silence in memory of the remarkable Grace Garcia.

MARKING THE RETIREMENT OF CHAIRMAN BUFORD ROLIN

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the distinguished career of a great tribal leader, Chairman Buford Rolin. For more than three decades, Chairman Rolin has worked tirelessly to build stronger, healthier and more prosperous communities—for his fellow Poarch Band of Creek Indians and for native peoples across the country. He retires with a towering legacy of leadership and accomplishment, built through the vision, determination and energy that has long defined his many years of service.

Rolin was born in Atmore, Alabama in 1940. He spent eight years in the Army, occasionally hitchhiking home from Fort Benning, Georgia to enjoy his weekend passes back in Poarch. His first job after the army was as a haberdasher in Pensacola, Florida. Eventually Rolin found a job with Dixie Asphalt and Paving.

Over the years, his insight and expertise has fueled work in positions involving diverse groups including the National Committee on Indian Work, the Episcopal Church, the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, the Creek Indian Arts Council, Creek Indian Herit-

age Memorial Association, and the State of Alabama Public Health Board.

His hands-on experience with Indian health issues led to his appointment as Tribal Co-Chair National Steering Committee (NSC) for Reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCA) in 1998. After his service as Tribal Co-Chair for the Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee, President Bill Clinton appointed him to the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy. The National Congress of American Indians recognized his leadership by appointing him to the NCAI Tribal Leaders Health Information Technology Task Force in 2001. Diabetes prevention has long been a focus of Rolin's leadership, and just last year, he received the IHS Director's Special Recognition Award for his many years devoted to tackling this challenge.

Chairman of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians since 2006, Rolin has been a tenacious and devoted advocate for tribal sovereignty, the duty of the trust responsibility, and the health and prosperity of his people. Today, the state-of-the-art Buford L. Rolin Health Center—named in recognition of a lifetime improving health across Indian Country—carries forward his great work, caring for his home community with a host of primary care, nutrition, diabetes, diagnostic, and rehabilitative services.

As he enters the next chapter of his life, I join with many others in thanking him for the many years of service and leadership he has given Indian Country and our Nation. For while Chairman Rolin is ending his career, we know that his achievements will make a difference in the lives of his community for generations to come. Congratulations on a well-earned retirement.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF JANET GRAY HAYES

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise with my colleagues, Congresswoman ANNA G. ESHOO and Congressman MIKE HONDA, to honor the life of our friend Janet Gray Hayes, the first woman elected as Mayor of San Jose, California.

We often use words like pioneer and trailblazer in tribute to inspiring and remarkable individuals, and that certainly is true for Janet Gray Hayes. She made a profound impact on our community in San Jose, and in a larger sense, was one of the pioneers who helped open the doors for women to serve their communities in public service.

Born Janet Gray Frazee in Rushville, Indiana, on July 12, 1926, she was the second of two daughters of John P. Frazee, Jr., and Lucile Charman Gray Frazee. Like other members of the famed "Greatest Generation," she grew up in the hard scramble years of the Great Depression. These humble beginnings, and the personal challenges she overcame, taught Janet Gray about character, empathy for others, and standing strong when it came to matters of principle.

Janet Gray would go on to pursue a higher education, graduating as a Phi Beta Kappa at

the University of Indiana. She met her future husband Kenneth while she was a student at the University of Chicago. They married in 1950, after Janet Gray earned a master's degree in social work, and she supported his medical studies. Their marriage would last for over five decades until Kenneth passed away in 2013.

In 1956, when Janet Gray's husband Kenneth took a job as a physician at Agnews State Hospital, they moved to San Jose. Having been raised in an active Republican family, Janet Gray was introduced to politics at a young age when her family home became an official campaign base for Wendell Willkie, the Republican presidential nominee in 1940. But her real impetus for launching into the world of civics and politics came when she was eight months pregnant and made an appeal to the City Council for a school crossing guard in her neighborhood.

That battle for a simple community issue would ultimately take sixteen years, but it unleashed Janet Gray's involvement in San Jose politics. By 1960 she became the president of both the San Jose and Bay Area Leagues of Women Voters. Six years later she was appointed to the San Jose Redevelopment Board and rose to become chair.

In 1971, Janet Gray won election to the San Jose City Council, and four years later, sought to succeed Mayor Norman Mineta after he was elected to Congress. Against tremendous odds, and against a deeply entrenched establishment that fought her candidacy, she won.

Her election threw the doors open for other women to follow, sparking a movement for women to get actively involved and seek public office. Over the next two elections, women were elected to eight of the eleven City Council seats and three out of the five Santa Clara County supervisor seats—including a future Member of Congress named ZOE LOFGREN.

San Jose was declared the "feminist capital of the world." And as Janet Gray welcomed delegates at the 1977 National Women's Political Caucus, hosted in the city, she proudly remarked that "In sunny Santa Clara Valley, you are in the heartland of women in power." However, Janet Gray's accomplishments were not limited to her milestone election.

Her successful stewardship running a major city shattered long held myths that women could not be successful executives. Janet Gray made a commitment to improving access to the mayor's office and presided over San Jose's growth during the high-tech development years by laying out a vision to make the city "better before we make it bigger." That vision for San Jose is present today in a city that has focused on smart growth and urban planning to avoid urban sprawl and achieve a better quality of life for its citizens.

When asked by her son to name her biggest source of pride, Janet Gray replied "I was proudest of the fact that I could open doors. I had a lot to do with these women getting where they are today." Her generous assistance, guidance, leadership and friendship helped emerging women leaders after her success.

Mr. Speaker, more than fifty years ago, Adlai Stevenson praised another pioneering woman when he said of Eleanor Roosevelt that she would 'rather light a candle than curse the darkness.' Those words are also fitting for Janet Gray Hayes. Because of her, and other pioneering women like her, future

generations of women inherit a country where women are increasingly encouraged to engage in serving their communities and our country in public office.

We invite all of our colleagues in Congress to join us in paying tribute to the remarkable life and legacy of Janet Gray Hayes.

HONORING JANICE T. CRAWFORD

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, Thirty-five years ago a virtuous woman of God accepted her calling to serve in the Educational System; and

Whereas, Mrs. Janice T. Crawford began her educational career in teaching and this year she retires as a Principal at Dunaire Elementary School in Stone Mountain, Georgia, she has served the DeKalb County Public Schools System well and our community has been blessed through her service; and

Whereas, this phenomenal woman has shared her time and talents as a Teacher, Educator and Motivator, giving the citizens of Georgia a person of great worth, a fearless leader, a devoted scholar and a servant to all who want to advance the lives of our youth; and

Whereas, Mrs. Crawford is formally retiring from her educational career today, she will continue to promote education because she is a cornerstone in our community that has enhanced the lives of thousands for the betterment of our District and Nation; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mrs. Janice T. Crawford on her retirement from the DeKalb County Public Schools System and to wish her well in her new endeavors; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim May 21, 2014 as Mrs. Janice T. Crawford Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 21st day of May, 2014.

HONORING COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR MARTIN BARRERAS

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Mr. REICHERT. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the life of Command Sergeant Major Martin Barreras, who died on May 13, 2014 from wounds suffered while serving in Afghanistan. CSM Barreras was serving with the 2nd Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment when enemy forces attacked his unit with small arms fire. CSM Barreras joined the Army in 1988 after serving five years in the Marine Corps and served 22 years in the 75th Ranger Regiment in both 1st and 2nd Battalions. During his time in the Ranger Regiment, he served in a large range of positions and completed multiple combat deployments to Iraq, Afghanistan, Operation Just Cause in Panama, Operation Restore/Uphold Democracy in Haiti, and other special operations missions.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal with V device, Bronze Star with three oak leaf clusters, Purple Heart with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Iraqi Campaign Medal with three stars, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with four stars, Combat Infantryman Badge with one star, Expert Infantryman Badge, Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge with bronze star, Military Freefall Badge and Pathfinder Badge.

CSM Barreras was respected by both his community and colleagues, and deeply loved by his family and friends. He was 49 years old and left behind a wife, a young son and two daughters.

This husband, father, and friend cannot be replaced, but his sacrifice will always be remembered and his legacy of compassion and service will live on after him. He is gone but not forgotten.

Mr. Speaker, I salute Command Sergeant Major Barreras, and I thank him for all he gave back to the people of this great Nation.

IN RECOGNITION OF DOUG HAWTHORNE

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Doug Hawthorne, who is stepping down as chief executive officer of Texas Health Resources after 44 years of outstanding service to the communities of North Texas.

Hawthorne played a vital role in 1997 with the merger of Presbyterian Healthcare Resources, Harris Methodist Health System and Arlington Memorial Hospital. He created the Texas Health Resources health care system, which has grown to become one of the largest faith-based, not-for-profit health care systems in the nation under his leadership.

Hawthorne received many awards and recognition for his work. He was named to Modern Healthcare magazine's annual list of the 100 Most Influential People in Healthcare in 2012 and 2013 after being on the list six times in prior years.

As a physician, I can say that his dedication and commitment have been instrumental in transforming the delivery of healthcare in North Texas. He is truly deserving of recognition for his exceptional work, and I wish him all the best on his next endeavor. I am proud to represent him in Congress.

HONORING CYNTHIA V. LEWIS

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, Thirty years ago a virtuous woman of God accepted her calling to serve in the Educational System; and

Whereas, Mrs. Cynthia V. Lewis began her educational career in teaching and this year

she retires as a Teacher at Dunaire Elementary School in Stone Mountain, Georgia, she has served the DeKalb County and New York Schools Systems well, and our community has been blessed through her service; and

Whereas, this phenomenal woman has shared her time and talents as a Teacher, Educator and Motivator, giving the citizens of Georgia and New York a person of great worth, a fearless leader, a devoted scholar and a servant to all who want to advance the lives of our youth; and

Whereas, Mrs. Lewis is formally retiring from her educational career today, she will continue to promote education because she is a cornerstone in our community and has enhanced the lives of thousands for the betterment of our District and Nation; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mrs. Cynthia V. Lewis on her retirement from the DeKalb County Public Schools System and to wish her well in her new endeavors; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim May 27, 2014 as Mrs. Cynthia V. Lewis Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 27th day of May, 2014.

RECOGNIZING ANDREW GARCIA

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of New Mexico resident Andrew "Andy" Garcia, a man of iconic proportions who developed, refined, and transformed New Mexican cuisine in our great State of New Mexico.

Andy began his entrepreneurial pursuits on his own, 50 years ago with his first venture selling New Mexican food at carnivals and street fairs. It was not until a few years later that Andy founded the wildly successful Garcia's Tents and Events. Andy's life success culminated with the establishment of eight Garcia's Kitchen restaurants, a popular food choice throughout the Albuquerque metro area.

For those visiting Albuquerque, as locals will tell you, a stop at Garcia's is a must. Today at Andy's establishments, business leaders, political icons, and New Mexicans enjoy great food, hospitality and camaraderie. Garcia's embodies the spirit of New Mexico culture and is a historic pillar in the Albuquerque community—still today and for years to come.

The truth is that Andy's life is a testament to the American Dream and the idea that with hard work, persistence, and dedication nothing is unattainable. His vision and accomplishments serve as an inspiration for future generations of entrepreneurs and small business owners, and demonstrate the impact one individual can have on an entire community. As a proud family man, Andy was fortunate to see these values passed down to his children and grandchildren who continue to manage and build his enterprises.

His family will tell you that he:

Shared his love, his wisdom, his will to love life and all it brings. He has had many peaks and valleys, highlights and adventures